

Record of Environmental Consideration (REC)
REC FY05-25

From: DPW, Environmental Division

Project title: LSA Shoot House

- 1. Project Description:** Provide rotational units with a conveniently located facility that supports the execution and observation of basic room clearing drills and rehearsals during rotations. The building will be approximately 55 feet by 31 feet with 5 rooms and connecting hallways. The building will have no floor or ceiling, the wall height will be 8 feet and a catwalk, for observation, will be constructed 10 feet above the ground. Concrete footings will be spaced every 8 feet for the walls and used for every catwalk post support. Bottom plates will be secured with anchor bolts. Footings will be 16 feet deep.
- 2. Mission Effects:** The mission of the NTC and Fort Irwin is to “Provide tough realistic combined arms and joint training focused at the battalion task force and brigade level, to assist commanders in training the soldiers, leaders, and units of America’s army for success on the modern battlefield. Provide feedback to improve the force. Take care of soldiers, civilians and family members.” This project will aid the mission by allowing soldiers to practice room clearing before entering the box.
- 3. Location:** NV 3008502230
- 4. Environmental Effects:** This project takes place inside the cantonment area, the project area is highly disturbed and provides very little value as sensitive wildlife habitat; the area also does not support large amounts of vegetation. There are no threatened or endangered plant or animal species that use the area for habitat also there are no significant cultural/archeological resources present in the area. The area has already been disturbed and this project is not going to add any adverse environmental effects to the area. Due to the development that is already in the area noise or visual pollution is not expected.
- 5. Anticipated date and/or duration of proposed action:** June 27, 2005 – July 8, 2005.
- 6. Screening Criteria for Using a Categorical Exclusion:** This Categorical Exclusion/Record of Environmental Consideration meets the screening criteria as required in 32 CFR 651.29 (a). The action has not been segmented. No exceptional circumstances exist as defined under section (b) of 32 CFR 651.29. One (or more) CX encompasses the proposed action. There will be no cumulative effects on the environment as a result of this action. This action is not a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment. There are no threatened or endangered species (or critical habitat), significant

archaeological resources, National Registered or National Register eligible historical sites, or other statutorily protected resources.


7. Reason for using record of environmental consideration:

- a. Is covered in an existing __EA__EIS entitled and dated: _____

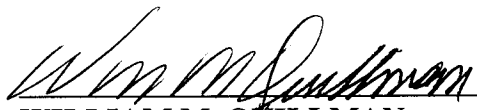
The EA/EIS may be viewed at: _____

- b. Is categorically excluded under the provisions of CX C-1 32 CFR 651 (March 29,2002), Subpart D, (and no extraordinary circumstances exist as defined in paragraph 4-3), because:


Construction of an addition to an existing structure or new construction on a previously undisturbed site if the area to be disturbed has no more than 5.0 cumulative acres of new surface disturbance.


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